

ABSTRACT

An automated network registration and activation system and method of the present invention automatically configures a communication network device for communicating on a network and automatically handles the

5 communication network registration and activation. In one embodiment of the present invention, a communications network automated registration and activation system includes a processor, a network interface component, a read only memory and a data bus. The processor processes information and instructions including network configuration information utilized by the

10 processor to automatically configure a device for communicating on a communication network with automated registration and activation on the communication network. The network interface component communicates information to and from other network devices. A read only memory stores static information and instructions including the network configuration and

15 activation information. The data bus communicates information between the processor, network interface component and the read only memory. In one embodiment of the present invention, network configuration information includes a network unit device identifier (e.g., a MAN) and the present invention automatically registers and activates a device with a

20 communication network when requested to activate by a user tapping on an activation application or being taken to the activation application. In one embodiment, a present invention communication network device registration and activation system is included in a palmtop computer.